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SUBJECT

Road Convoys - amenities for civilian Personnel.

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(517) From The Army Lt Herbert Resident.
D. F. 13243/Pd d 22nd May. 43 This is a copy
of HQ's letter on request to furnish them
with material for a reply:

The HQ's letter requests this for
to provide quatering and feeding arrangements
as well as other facilities as Carter, grainship, &
for a Convoy personnel passing thru the State and
staying the Night at Chitaldang. If approved
this will be sent to a CR for forwarding remarks
in consultation with a D C Chitaldang. Subd
for orders.



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Chief Secy

Yes - urgent.

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Subd. with letter to C.R. with
memo to D.C. Chitaldang.

26/5/43.

For

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Issued 4336/w dated 26-5-1943 to the CR
& Memo No. 4337/w dated 26-5-43 to D.C.
Chitaldang.

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From The D.C. Chitaldang.
D. F. 426/42, 43, d. 2nd Jun. 43 This is a
copy of the letter from the CR has also been order

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The present report at the D.C. is with reference to this
Office Memo. Subd for personal and notes
whether the report at the C.A. needs to be amended
or a report sent to the Bureau for a copy
at the report at the D.C.

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Will be sent,
if app.

America's may be sent
in terms of the D.C. letter

Chief Sec'y

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Subd in it a draft report to the Reg in a memo
to the A.C. and D.C. Chibalding. The Bureau may want
material for a report to the Reg. Q. 10.

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Issued Pl. 2510 dated 10-6-1943 to the Reg. &
Memo no. 4393-94/42 dated 10-6-1943 to the D.C. Chibalding
A.C. - CR

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D. 7 132-43/P. 06 of 5/7/43
from Reg stating that it is not
proposed to stage convoys at
Chibalding.

to copy, if this will, if approved
be sent to C.A. and D.C. Chibalding

Subd for material for the

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D.C. Chitaldung.

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No.D.F.132-43/Pcl.

From

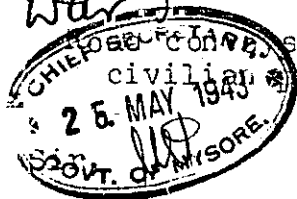
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The Secretary to the Hon'ble
the Resident in Mysore.

To

The Chief Secretary to
the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.

Bangalore, 22 May 1943.



Subject: - amenities for
civilian personnel.

I am directed to forward here-
with a copy of a letter, No.90/12/44/A
dated the 15th May 1943 with enclosure
from Headquarters, 160 L of C Sub Area
and to request you kindly to furnish
this Residency with material for a
reply.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

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SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT

Letter from H. Q., 1600 of C. Sub Area, No.90/12/44/A,
dated the 10th May 1943.

Road Convoys - amenities for Civilian personnel

G.H. Q. letter No.64179/21 (misc) of 10 April refers.

The attached copy of the above quoted letter is forwarded herewith.

It is requested that the Government of Mysore be please asked if they would be prepared to provide quartering and feeding arrangements as well as other facilities for the civilian convoy personnel passing through the Mysore State and staying the night at Chitaldrug as envisaged in the above quoted letter.

Copy of letter No.64179/2.1(misc) of 10 April from G.H. Q. Q.M.G's Branch, to Rear H. Q. Southern Army, H. Q., Eastern Army H. Q. Central Command.

Road Convoys - amenities for Personnel.

1- Some 2500 civilian drivers are now continuously employed by war department delivering vehicles by road from Bombay to all parts of India. The work is exhausting and the men at present suffer considerable hardship from lack of quartering and feeding arrangements at stopping places enroute. It has been reported that at some halting places existing arrangements are deplorable and that there is not even an adequate supply of water, at many, shelter does not exist and food can only be obtained from profiteers.

2. At Biaora between Mhow and Shivpuri, however, the State authorities have provided exemplary amenities for all convoy personnel both British and Indian. Facilities include restaurant, canteen, grainshop, butcher's shop, liquor shop and hair cutting saloon.

3. It is suggested that the question of making somewhat similar arrangements should be taken up with the Civil Authorities for as many places as possible on the stages set out below

- a) Stages on Bombay-Delhi route. 170 drivers per
Nasik, Dhuli, Mhow, Shivpuri, convoy. 4 convoys
Agra. per week.
- b) Stages on Delhi-Lahore route 110 drivers per
Ambala. Ludhiana. convoy. 4 convoys
per week.
- c) Stages on Delhi-Nirsa route 140 drivers per convoy
Etah, Cawnpore, Allahabad, ~~Seah~~ Awangabad, Bagoda, ~~4~~
asansol, Benares, Budwan. 2 convoys per week.
- d) Stages of Bombay-Bangalore route 60 drivers per convoy
Poonā, Satara, Kolapur, Belgaum 2 convoys per week.
Hubli, Chittaldrug.

4. It is considered that with co-operation of civil authorities much can be achieved. These personnel are not easily obtainable and are engaged on vital war works; it is most important that they should be kept fit and contented. The question of providing shelters before the breaking of monsoon should therefore be given high priority.


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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat,

Bangalore, Dated, 26th May 1943.

No. 4336/W.

From

*The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

The Civil Representative in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Road Convoys - amenities for civilian personnel.

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of letter No.90/12/44/A. dated the 15th May 1943 with enclosure from headquarters, 160 L of C Sub Area and to request you kindly to favour Government with your remarks in the matter. The matter may kindly be treated as urgent.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Sd) V.Vedavyasacharya,

Chief Secretary to Government.

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2 convoys per week. |
| d) <u>Stages of Bombay-Bangalore route.</u>
Poona, Satara, Kolapur, Belgaum,
Hubli, Chitaldrug. | 60 drivers per convoy
2 convoys per week. |

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"Copy"

Memo No. *4337/W.*

Dated, Bangalore, 26th May 1943.

Copy of the above is forwarded, with compliments, to the ~~SixtyxRepresentatix~~ Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District,

By Order,

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For Chief Secretary to Government.

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No.J3.C.1426/42-43.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Chitaldrug District,
Dated, Chitaldrug, 2nd June 1943.

To

✓ V.Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to Government,
B a n g a l o r e.

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4.6.43 Sir,

WJ
With reference to your Memo No.4337/W dated 26th May 1943 forwarding a copy of letter No.4336/W dated 26th May 1943 addressed to the Civil Representative in Mysore, Bangalore, in the matter of providing facilities to the Civilian Personnel of the Road Convoys proceeding from Bombay to Bangalore during their halts at Chitaldrug, I have the honour to state as follows:-

/// The Military Convoy may quarter themselves in the 'BHUTHAN THOPE' which is on the left side of the road from Dharwar to Bangalore (Milestone 124/2 and 124/3) by providing suitable tents of their own. The 'tope' consists of 5 acres and 10 guntas of land and it belongs to ^a private person of Bangalore. The owner may have to be compensated for the use of the land to the extent of Rs.50/- per year. Quite opposite to it, on the right side of the road there is public pond, the water from which may be used for washing purposes. On the rear side of the 'Tope' and adjacent to it, there is a drinking water well which is also situated in a private land. The water of this well may be used for drinking purposes. The Military Convoys who are now passing through Chitaldrug are making use of this tope, pond and well during their halts ~~xx~~ at Chitaldrug at night time.

There are two restaurants just within a distance of two furlongs from the above 'Tope' and also two Military Hotels within a distance of half a mile from the Thope in the Santhepet of Chitaldrug which lies on the Dharwar-Bangalore Road. There are also two or three grain-shops in Santhepet where the military personnel may purchase their requirements, if available. As there is a great dearth for food-grains in Chitaldrug Town, I would suggest their purchasing the essential food-grains like ragi, rice, jola and wheat and wheat-products at Davangere on their onward journey from

from Poona side.

Butchers' shops, liquor shop and hair-cutting saloons are also in their reach within a distance of about three-fourths of a mile from the 'Thope' in the Town.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

cc. Miranila

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Chitaldrug District.

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SUBJECT.....

Diary No. of letter replied to....3376.....

Section War

File No. 89-42

Serial No. 520.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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the 194 .Date of issue. 10th June 1943

Signed by Mr. S. K. V.

No. Pol 2510

To The Secy to the Honble. & Asst. Secy.
Road Convoys - amenities for
civilian personnel.

Sir,

With ref to your letter
No D.F. 13240/Pd d 22nd May 43
on the above subject, I am
directed to enclose herewith for
information a copy of report
received from the D.C. Chikilang
showing the facilities available
to the Civilian Personnel of the Road
Convoys during their halts at
Chikilang.

List of enclosures.....

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Examined by.....

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for Chikilang to govt

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

No. *Pol 25-10*Bangalore, Dated *9th June 1943.*
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FROM

Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

The Chief

To

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Road convoys - amenities for civilian personnel.

With reference to your letter No.D.P.132-43/Pol. dated 22nd May 1943 on the above subject, I am directed to enclose herein for information a copy of report received from the Deputy Commissioner Chitaldrug, showing the facilities available to the civilian personnel of the Road Convoys during their halts at Chitaldrug.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Sd) V.Vedavyasacharya,
Chief Secretary to Government.

Copy of letter No.J3.C.1426/42-43. dated 2nd June 1943, from the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Bangalore.

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"Copy"

Memo No. 4393-94/w

Dated, Bangalore, 9th June 1943.

Copy w/c to R.C. & D.C. Chitaldrug.

To the

By Order,


For Chief Secretary to Govt.



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SECRET

No.D.F.132-43/Pol.

From The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore
To The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Bangalore, 5th July 1943.

Wan. W.P. 6/7/43
Road Convoys - Amenities to Troops.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No.Pol.2510 dated the 10th June 1943 and to say that the military authorities have since intimated that they do not now propose to stage Convoys at Chitaldrug. - They however appreciate the information given regarding the amenities that exist at Chitaldrug.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. D. A. A. A. A.

for SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

Tcl.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

secret
No. *44-45/W*

General & Rev. Sectt.
Bangalore, 8th July 1943.

W. 89-42-522.

From

The Chief Secretary to the Government of His
Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

R.C. & C.R., and D.C. Chitaldrug.

Sir,

Road Convoys - Amenities to Troops.

I am directed to forward herewith copy of letter
No. D.F. 132-43/Pol. dated the 5th July 1943 on the
above subject, since received from the Residency.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

For Chief Secretary to Government.

~~Secret~~ *Secret*

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